

DAWLEY & MALINSLEE NEWS

The newsletter of Great Dawley Town Council

Summer 2016



Great Dawley elects its first Mayor!!

Great Dawley Town Council has elected its first Mayor for the coming year, Councillor Jane Pinter.

Councillor Pinter officially took office at the annual meeting of Great Dawley Town Council on Monday 9th May 2016 and will be supported by Councillor Malcolm Randle as Deputy Mayor.

IN THIS ISSUE

Summer Fun Days

Volunteer in your community

Local residents get Freedom of the Town

Have your say on the Library Service

Page 2 Contents, Meet our New Mayor

- *Front Cover - Cllr Jane Pinter*
- *Summer is here - Community Fun Days*
- *Community Corner*
- *Cleaner & Greener Environmental Feature*
- *Councillor Contacts*
- *A word from our the Mayor & Chair Honorary Freeman of the Town*
- *Volunteering in the Community Feature*
- *Local News and Events*
- *Meet Your Councillors*



Councillor Pinter who has served as a Town Councillor with Great Dawley since 2011 and has been a Borough Councillor at Telford & Wrekin since 2013, tells us she can't wait to make a start representing Great Dawley and the community at events in and around the Town, as well as raising funds for her two chosen charities; Severn Hospice and The Children's Ward at the Princess Royal Hospital. Councillor Pinter has lived in the area for over 40 years and is married to Louie and they have 2 daughters, Jodi and Nicola.

Councillor Pinter added that she would also use her mayoral year to continue to promote Great Dawley as a busy market town and its businesses. As well as promoting positive relationships between the Towns Councillors, our partners and the community, and promote fairness as being the priority in delivering services for the Community.

The Deputy Mayor Councillor Malcolm Randle will support the Mayor for the coming year. Councillor Randle has served Great Dawley as Town Councillor since 2015, and said he is really looking forward to supporting both the Mayor and the community of Great Dawley during the next year.

The first official engagement for the new Mayor of Great Dawley will be to preside over the event that bestows the status of Honorary Freeman of Great Dawley to Paul Sanderson and Jenny Athersmith. The date and details of the event to be confirmed.

The role of Mayor is an important role within Great Dawley, not only does it chair the Town Council meetings but the mayor is usually the council spokesperson and has a significant ceremonial role at events, including Honorary Freedom ceremonies.

The Chair, Councillor Shaun Davies, has been elected as chair for the Executive Committee meetings and to discharge Town Council business and decisions. Councillor Davies said that he is looking forward to another great year for the parish of Great Dawley especially with this year electing its first Mayor and Deputy Mayor. As well as there being an increase in the number of events being held both in our community buildings, across the community and with the Town Council continuing with the grants being offered to local community groups to enhance the wonderful work already taking place.



Honorary Freeman

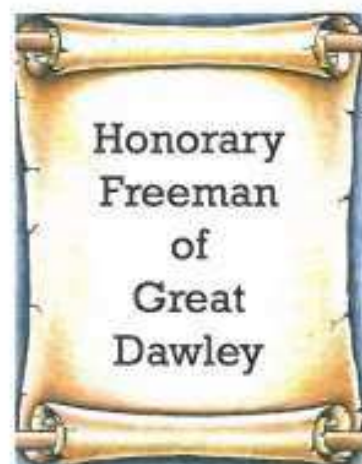
Part of the legislation that governs a Town Council entitles the Parish to grant the status of honorary freeman and this is no different in Great Dawley. Many Town Councils across the Country bestow this age old honour on a persons of distinction and persons who have, in the opinion of the council, rendered eminent services to the local area.

At a specially convened meeting of Great Dawley Town Council held on Monday 9th May 2016, a resolution was passed to bestow the honorary freeman of Great Dawley to both Jenny Athersmith and Paul Sanderson.

Paul Sanderson is the former headmaster of Ladygrove Primary School, and has been recognised for his tireless work for the community over a number of years. These include being an active resident, local Headmaster and a Director of the Dawley Regeneration Partnership.

Jenny Athersmith was a founder member of the Parish Council in 1988. She has been a Councillor for Great Dawley for over 30 years and retired last year from the council after serving the community as both Vice-Chair and part of the entertainment committee.

Well done both!!!



Summer is here!!!!!!!!!!

The team at Great Dawley Town Council are currently busy making plans and organising this years annual **FREE** Community Fun Days.

**Malinslee Day 25th June 11am - 4pm
at St Leonards Fields, Malinslee**

- Exotic Zoo
- Zorb Football Fun
- Stilt Walking Performers
- Junior Football Tournament
- Live Music & Performance Stage throughout the day
- And more!!!

Dawley Day 9th July 11am - 4pm on the Dawley Playing Fields off Quarry Lane

- Live Music & Community Stage
- Circus Skills
- Lots of food to try and buy
- Fire Show
- Bouncy Castles Inflatables
- Animals
- Picnic area
- And more!!!

Great Dawley Town Council are looking for car boot stalls, craft stalls and volunteers to join us on both days. Contact Danny Phillips the Community, Projects and Events officer on 01952 567914 or email him dannyp@greatdawley.com for more information.

We look forward to seeing you - lets hope the sunshines!!!!!!



Page 4 Community Volunteering

Over 21 million people are currently volunteering in the UK, all making a huge contribution to local communities and peoples lives.

These 21 million people are a shining example of how we can all make a big difference to individuals and communities every day from improving the environment we live in, spending time with those who may otherwise be lonely and contributing to a range of other essential services and support. We are very fortunate to have a number of amazing volunteers who work incredibly hard all year round within our Parish. Great Dawley Town Council are really committed in supporting our volunteers and are really pleased to have now developed our own volunteer handbook and guidance to help us recruit and manage our volunteers in the future.

As part of National Volunteers Week held in June we wanted to share with you a great example of a local volunteer:

Every Thursday morning Busarin volunteers at Dawley Town Hall to run a Children & Family Parent led Playgroup for Parents with children aged 0-5 to come along to, whilst the children have time to play the parents can also have a chat or get advice and support they need regarding their children.

Busarin has lived in Dawley for over 13 years and first starting to come along to the group with her own children, having found the sessions really supportive to herself she decided to take the

opportunity to complete the training on offer and become involved as a volunteer.



Busarin said "Volunteering has really helped me in developing my own skills and confidence, and should hopefully help me in the future when I'm ready to return back into the workplace. Being a Mum has enabled me to really understand and relate to the challenges that being a Parent brings. Being a local Mum who regularly attends other groups with my own children this has really been helpful in building good relationships with other parents, and not being seen as a 'Professional' but as another Mum who can fully relate to how they are feeling. I would highly recommend it!

The Playgroup sessions are run twice weekly every Monday and Thursday 9.30-11am at Dawley Town Hall for Parents or Grandparents with Children aged 0-5 years.

We hope Busarins story will inspire you and others to get involved. This Summer we also want to encourage you to take up

a range of volunteering opportunities available. There is a great choice locally, but sometimes people aren't aware of them or they have a particular perception of what volunteering is about. There are many local groups, clubs and charities looking for people. Here at Great Dawley Town Council we are always looking for volunteers to help us deliver our services to the community, see below a few examples of our current vacancies:

- **Support to our Community Garden - Planting & Growing Vegetables, Watering, General Gardening - Nothing too strenuous!**
- **Great Dawley Dinner - General help in the kitchen, preparing food, washing up, serving food.**
- **Stewarding at local events. Help us to set up a local Film Club - 'Dawley Flicks'.**
- **Street Champions - Litter Picking, environmental projects.**

You can always come along for a short trial to give volunteering a try, we understand it may not be for everyone but know that it can also be a really great, short-term, flexible way to give people a taste of the volunteering experience.

If you would like further information or any informal chat please contact Wendy by telephoning - 01952 567919, or email: wendyt@greatdawley.com or call into Dawley Town Hall.

**Do you have a Volunteer role available and would like us to advertise in a future newsletter?
Please let us know**

Great Dawley Town council has been working hard creating a wide range events programme that will engage with people of all ages, its been a busy time but we wanted to share with you a brief update on what local people have been enjoying over the last past few weeks.....

Under 16's Disco

In February Great Dawley Town Council hosted its first under 16's Disco that was attended by over 80 young people. The Disco has now been running monthly, attracting a strong following. This Event wouldn't have been possible, without the support of the Malinslee youth group volunteers and Telford & Wrekin Council youth workers.

The Discos are in Dawley Town Hall monthly, and are suitable for children from 10 up to 16 years old. The Town Hall have a full non-alcoholic bar open on the nights and to celebrate the Prom season mocktails will be served at the next Disco on Friday 10th June from 6.30-9pm.



Easter Fun Week

During the Easter holidays Great Dawley Town Council hosted a week of FREE Community, Family, Fun events that included a Giant Easter egg hunt, Cinema afternoon, Crafts fun and Street dance sessions.

Over 300 local people attended throughout the week. Great Dawley Town Council is looking to continue our holiday events programme with a week of fun events during Whitsun week, including an Exotic Zoo performance and hanging basket making.

AFC Telford united will then be coming down to Dawley in August to put on two weeks of Multi sports.



Great Dawley Dinner

Every Friday since the 29th April, residents have had the opportunity to eat a beautifully cooked roast dinner at Dawley House. All the produce has been purchased off the high street, with the meat coming from Reece at Dawley Meats and the Veg coming from Shay's Fruit & Veg.

For £3.50 you can purchase a full roast dinner, pudding and unlimited tea and coffee.

This is open to people of all ages but you need to book in advance to secure your place.

Contact Great Dawley Town Council on 01952 567914.



The First Dawley Town Hall Afternoon Tea Dance

On 11th May Great Dawley held its first over 60's afternoon entertainment event. Over 40 people came to Dawley Town Hall to watch the fantastic, Chase Jazzmen band perform, whilst enjoying an afternoon tea and chance to get on the dance floor and dance the afternoon away.



The Town Council will be putting on an afternoon of entertainment for the over 60's on a monthly basis. The next one is being held on the

15th June at Dawley Town Hall. We advise you to book in advance tickets are going fast!

Queens 90th Birthday Garden Party Happy Birthday from Great Dawley!!

Local residents and dignitaries were invited to Dawley Town Hall in April to celebrate HRH Elizabeth II 90th Birthday. To mark the occasion an apple tree was planted in Great Dawley Town Councils community garden by Cllr Kuldip Sahota, Cllr Richard Choudhary and Cllr Jane Pinter. Cllr Pinter also opened the event with a touching tribute to the longest reigning monarch, reminiscing on her meeting with the Queen when she was just a little girl. Residents from the local sheltered housing schemes and Students from Dawley C of E School then raised a cuppa to the queen with an afternoon tea, in Dawley Town Hall.



Page 6 Community News and Dates

Get Involved!! - What's on this Summer in Great Dawley.....

Be Active

The Be Active Project is helping inactive Dawley & Malinslee residents back into Sport and Exercise with an exciting range of free activities. Be Active is also recruiting volunteers to support this fantastic project and help build a sustainable activity programme - for further information contact Gary your friendly Great Dawley Community Sports Activator on 07800 671995 or email

gary.insell@telford.gov.uk



Dawley C of E School Celebrates 175 years

Congratulations to Dawley C of E School. This year marks the 175th year of Dawley Church of England School. The school was originally known as the National School and was founded on February 23rd 1841 with the gift of land by one Richard Slaney for the purpose of establishing a school for local children. It was built on land next to the Parsonage but overshadowed by coal spoil tips. From its foundation in 1841 Dawley C of E School (The National) has been extended and remodelled to accommodate a growing number of children over the years. The school will be holding a special event on Friday 15th June to mark this special occasion.

Free Community Fun Days

Malinslee Day - 25th June 11-4pm at Malinslee Playing Fields

Dawley Day - 9th July 11-4pm

Great Dawley Town Council are looking for car boot stalls, craft stalls and volunteers to join us on both days. Contact Danny Phillips the community, projects and Events officer on 01952 567914 or email him dannyp@greatdawley.com for more information.

BMX National Event is coming to Dawley for the weekend - 6th August

Telford's BMX race club will host its debut National round in the British series attracting 3,000 visitors to the town.

Wrekin Riders BMX Race Club, which is solely run by a small team of volunteers, will host the round in the British BMX Series attracting talented world champion BMX stars from across the UK.

The national race which will be held on August 6 and 7 will see more than 900 riders from across the UK travel to Telford to battle it out on the £250,000 track in Dawley.

British Cycling announced Telford and Blackpool as new venues for the national rounds of 2016. The other national rounds have taken place at

Manchester, Birmingham and Scotland and forthcoming ones include Peckham and Derby.

Volunteers from the club based on Duce Drive in Dawley, are now planning for a boom in riders visiting the track in the build up to the British BMX Series as riders often want to ride the track before the national event.

Kieran Edwards, club chairman and head coach at the community club, said: "This is fantastic news for Wrekin Riders and for Telford as a whole".

"To host a national round is a real feather in the cap for Wrekin Riders and will certainly put our track on the map".



"The club has seen a significant increase in riders over the last 12 months including novice riders and expert riders who have been travelling to our club from other areas".

"We have built up a very good reputation as a friendly, welcoming club which prides itself on a high standard of track and coaching for all levels."

Mr Edwards said a lot of work had been carried out at the track by himself and volunteers over the last 12 months.

Page 7 Community News and Dates

Wrekin Riders has also secured a corporate sponsorship deal with automotive glazing company National Windscreens.

Jo Edwards, club treasurer, added: "To secure a national round is fantastic but we know there is a lot of work involved between now and then and without our dedicated volunteers this wouldn't be possible.

"Everything we do as a committee we do for the children because seeing their smiling faces as they cross the finishing line and the development in their talent makes it all worth it.

"The novice sessions every Saturday and Sunday have become very successful and

over the last 12 months we have seen children as young as four years old progress from novice to expert regional racing who are now looking forward to their first season of national racing in 2016.

"For those youngsters to be able to race on their home track at national level is brilliant.

"Whilst our teenage and adult riders include some of the best in the UK who act as perfect role models to the younger riders."

British Cycling's cycle sport manager Jonathan Day said: "We're delighted to be able to announce the dates for the British BMX Series for 2016.

"The BMX National Series is the pinnacle of the British Cycling

BMX events calendar and provides a great spectacle for the sport"

"The series also gives opportunities for riders to take part and enjoy competing in this fantastic sport at the highest level in this country."

Wrekin Riders is offering trackside sponsorship opportunities to local businesses including the design and printing of a banner to be placed at the side of the track for 12 months for £250.

Anybody interested in booking banner space should email Wrekinriders@outlook.com or call Kirsty on 07811 749489.

We hope you will call in and share the action for a great day out.....

The Royal British Legion Dawley Branch & Dawley & District Royal British Legion Club Ltd

Please note this is a members only club but guests are welcome and you can apply to join by calling in to the Royal British Legion/Club and ask to see a committee member for an application form.

Third Friday of Every Month

Knock-out-Dominoes

Members and guests welcome. 8.00pm start.

First Monday of Every Month

Quiz Night

Members and guests welcome. 8.00pm start.

1st July

Armed Forces Day Dance

Battle of the Somme Centenary 1916-2016

With the Famous LAND GIRLS SHOW

8.00pm till Late. Members £6.00 Guests £8.00

Members and guests welcome.

10th July

Summer Parade

All welcome. 2.15pm March off from Car park adjacent to RBL Club to the Christian centre then return after service to RBL Club for refreshments.

10th September

Battle of Britain Dance

With the Heartbeats, Showaddywaddy Tribute

Members £6.00 Guests £8.00

Members and guests welcome.

Page 8 Community News and Dates

Great Dawley 'In Harmony' Project coming soon....

Dawley Community Music Project 2016

This Pride project is funded as part of Telford and Wrekin Councils initiative which seeks to enhance and promote our borough market town High streets.



Great Dawley Town Council are delighted to be working on this exciting new project with the Lead Organisation: Friends of Dawley Park.

The idea is to develop the potential of the latent talent across the community of the Dawley area to engage in music making and singing through workshops leading to performance.

Since 2013 the Friends of Dawley Park have had the desire, supported through consultation, to help develop some form of fringe Festival in the Town and have consistently restated this ambition. The projects success will hinge on the enthusiasm of local people. There is an enormous amount of goodwill in the Town at present and this 'pilot' project is posed to capture this and make the whole venture accessible to all.

A project start up team is being developed with representative from the parish council, social club, schools and Telford and Wrekin creative development team. Which will seek to recruit local people and draw in musicians to help with the workshops and performances at both indoor and outdoor high street venues. This will happen alongside existing musical activities and compliment them:

The scene will be set with the project team, local venues and participants, and artists ready to perform what they have learnt and the ambitious audience target is 500 new visitors to this new event in Dawley.

For further details contact John Cocker - john.cocker@telford.gov.uk
Creative Arts Development Team Leader or phone 01952 382363

Are you planning an Event that you would like to feature you in the next Newsletter??
Contact Danny Phillips the community, projects and Events officer on 01952 867914 or email your information dannyp@greatdawley.com.

Page 9 Library Changes, Festival of Learning

Consultation on proposed Library Changes



Following extensive feedback during their recent budget consultation.

Telford & Wrekin Council have started this month a consultation on ways of delivering library service differently begins. Unfortunately amongst others, Dawley Library has been identified as one of the services which Telford & Wrekin Council can no longer afford to run, both the Borough Council and the Town Council doesn't want to see our library close and are currently working together to look at whether the Library Service in Dawley could be taken on by Great Dawley Town Council, the details of this are still being discussed between both Councils.

It has been really encouraging that local residents have already been talking to us and offering their help to ensure this valuable service continues.

Have your say on how the library services could be run differently by visiting the current Library at The Langley Academy, or go to telford.gov.uk/libraries or pop along to the Library consultation roadshow on Friday 15 July 11.30 1pm at Dawley Library (Langley Academy).

Festival of Learning

Festival of Learning 2016

<p>Job Junction Weekly 'drop in' sessions for anyone who would like advice on training or employment</p>	Dawley Social Club	<p>Tuesdays</p> <p>Fridays</p>	<p>9:30am - 11:30am</p> <p>10am - 12noon</p>
<p>Learning Online Join us for a one-off session and find out more about the free courses available to study at home</p>	Dawley Social Club	Friday 10 June	9:30am - 11:00am
<p>Mixed Crafts Join us for a new free course and try out a range of different craft projects</p>	Old Park Family Centre, Malinslee	<p><u>Enrolment Session:</u> Monday 6 June</p> <p><u>Course start date:</u> Monday 13 June</p>	<p>9:45am</p> <p>11:45am</p>
<p>The Icing on the Cake A free course that will cover basic cake decorating, preparing & using fondant icing and making toppers, letters and numbers</p>	Dawley Town Hall	<p><u>Enrolment Session:</u> Tuesday 14 June</p> <p><u>Course start date:</u> Tuesday 21 June</p>	<p>9:30am</p> <p>11:45am</p>
<p>Sticks, Driftwood and Stones Join us for a free session and learn how to make simple decorations for the home</p>	Dawley Town Hall	Thursday 30 June	12:30pm - 2:30pm
<p>Family Fun Day Join us for a range of fun activities and tabletop stalls</p>	Dawley Social Club	Saturday 16 July	11am - 1pm

For more information, or to reserve a place on a course, please contact the Telford Job Box on 01952 382181 or 382888. Alternatively, please text 07794 999282

Town Council Information

Great Dawley Town Council

Located at: Dawley Town Hall, New Street, Dawley, Telford TF4 3JR
Telephone: 01952 567 910 Fax: 01952 567 917 e-mail: clerk@greatdawley.com
Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5pm; closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

Great Dawley Town Councillors

Dawley Ward

Cllr. Charles Dillon (Lab.)	07854 140 486
Cllr. Patricia Duce (Lab.)	01952 503 278
Cllr. Stefan Heighway (Con.)	07799 154 272
Cllr. Jane Pinter (Lab.)	07583 376 098
Cllr. Cathy Salter (Lab.)	01952 505 111
Cllr. Charlie Tranter (Lab.)	07786 927 473
Cllr. Leigh-Anne Wharton (Lab.)	01952 567 910

Malinslee Ward

Cllr. Richard Choudary (UKIP)	07853 346 171
Cllr. Shaun Davies (Lab.)	07875 679 511
Cllr. Malcolm Randle (Lab.)	01952 503 297
Cllr. Alexa Rice (Lab.)	07812 725 926
Cllr. Kuldip Sahota (Lab.)	07976 100 434
Cllr. San Sekhon (Lab.)	01952 506 492
Cllr. Chris Turley (Lab.)	01952 380 271

Telford & Wrekin Council Ward Councillors

Dawley and Aqueduct

Cllr. Jane Pinter (Lab.)	01952 380 113
jane.pinter@telford.gov.uk	07583 376 098

Malinslee and Dawley Bank

Cllr. Shaun Davies (Lab.)	01952 380 257
shaun.davies@telford.gov.uk	07875 679 511
Cllr. Kuldip Sahota (Lab.)	01952 380 219
kuldip.sahota@telford.gov.uk	07976 100 434

Please note that email contact can be made with all councillors through the Town Council office.

DIARY OF MEETINGS 2016-2017

Day	Date	Meeting	Day	Date	Meeting
Monday	13 June 2016	Town Council	Monday	12 Dec 2016	Executive Committee
Monday	11 July 2016	Executive Committee	Monday	9 Jan 2017	Town Council
Monday	12 Sept 2016	Executive Committee	Monday	13 Feb 2017	Executive Committee
Monday	10 Oct 2016	Town Council	Monday	13 March 2017	Town Council

For further details contact the Town Council

Meet Your Councillor

Councillor Malcolm Randle (Deputy Mayor) was brought up in the West Midlands and came to live in Telford in 1973. He worked for a local company JC Hulst based in Dawley for over 10 years and met his wife Sonia who he married and raised a family in Malinslee. In 2015 Malcolm became a Town Councillor with both Great Dawley and Stirchley & Brookside Parish Council, and most recently became Deputy Mayor to Great Dawley. Malcolm is an active Councillor who enjoys being involved with local activities and can very often be seen helping out at events. He believes passionately in supporting his local community and loves to talk to local residents to listen to their views. He is proud to be part of Great Dawley Town Council and hopes to continue.

When he does actually find some spare time Malcolm enjoys Fishing and finds nothing better this time of year to be in his beloved Garden.



Phone:
567910

The fax number
is now **567 917**.



Facebook:

Great Dawley
Town Council



Twitter:

Our twitter name is
@GreatDawley



This newsletter can be seen in colour on our website:
www.greatdawley.org along with many more photos in our gallery